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1. Information Disclosure Statement (1 page), in duplicate;
2. Form PTO 1449 (3 Pages), in duplicate;
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